(d) No such instance has been come to the notice of this Ministry.

(e) and (f) Questions do not arise.

National policy for the welfare of tribals

†180. PROF M.M. AGARWAL: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formulated any national policy for the welfare of tribals in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps being taken by Government for implementation of the said scheme?

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R.KYNDIAH): (a) A National Policy for tribals is in the process of being finalized.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Proposals sent by NGOs

181. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposal submitted by Non-Government Organisations has been approved under the Women and Child Development Scheme;

(b) if so, the number of proposals from Non-Government Organisations received during the last two years in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) the details of the Non-Government Organisations whose proposals have been accepted/rejected or still lying pending till date; and

(d) the funds allocated under sanctioned proposals during the said period in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) the number of proposals received from NGOs and approved and funds 'sanctioned/released during the last two years in Andhra Pradesh is given in Statement (See below).

The details of the NGOs to whom funds were released from the last two years are available in the respective Annual Reports of the Ministry and Ministry's Web site *http://www.wcd.nic.in*

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